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*Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he may give it you.—John 15: 16*

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## THIS WEEK'S COVER—

The story of the Mormon Pioneers and their dramatic entrance into Salt Lake Valley ninety years ago is depicted on this week's cover of the *Star*. It was on July 24th, 1837, that President Brigham Young led a struggling band of 143 Pioneers into a desolate valley where they began to build their homes in a Promised Land.

The cover picture was drawn by Elder Fielding K. Smith, son of the late President Joseph F. Smith. He filled a mission to Britain and studied art at the National Galleries in London.



## CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE ADDRESS

By PRESIDENT HEBER J. GRANT

I am very grateful indeed for these tokens of love and respect. It has been a very difficult task for me to realize and to fully appreciate the fact that I do represent the Lord here upon the earth. My association from childhood with the remarkable and wonderful men that have preceded me has made it almost overwhelming to think of being in the same class with them.

The last words uttered by President Joseph F. Smith—and



President Grant, Catherine L. M. Horner, and President Clark. \*

I do not remember to have ever quoted this before—were to the effect, when he shook hands with me—he died that night—“The Lord bless you, my boy, the Lord bless you; you have got a great responsibility. Always remember this is the Lord’s work and not man’s. The Lord is greater than any man. He knows whom He wants to lead His Church, and never makes any mistake. The Lord bless you.”

I have felt my own lack of ability. In fact when I was called as one of the Apostles I arose to my feet to say it was beyond anything I was worthy of, and as I was rising the thought came to me, “You know as you know that you live, that John Taylor is a prophet of God, and to decline this office when he had received a revelation is equivalent to repudiating the Prophet.” I said, “I will accept the office and do my best.” I remember

that it was with difficulty that I took my seat without fainting.

There are two spirits striving with us always, one telling us to continue our labours for good, and one telling us that with the faults and failings of our nature we are unworthy. I can truthfully say that from October, 1882, until February, 1883, that spirit followed me day and night telling me that I was unworthy to be an apostle of the Church, and that I ought to resign. When I would testify of my knowledge that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, the Redeemer of

\* This photo was taken outside Rochdale Town Hall immediately after the Sunday evening meeting, at which President Grant received three bouquets of roses, representing his age when he was ordained to the apostleship, became President, and at the present time. Sister Horner read the prize-winning Centennial poem, *To President Heber J. Grant*, after which three young ladies presented the bouquets.

mankind, it seemed as though a voice would say to me: "You lie! You lie! You have never seen Him."

While on the Navajo Indian reservation with Brigham Young, Jr. and a number of others, six or eight, on horseback, and several others in "white tops," as we called them out there—buggies that were half buggies and half wagons—riding along, with Lot Smith at the rear of that procession, suddenly the road veered to the left almost straight, but there was a well beaten path leading ahead. I said, "Stop, Lot, stop. Where does this trail lead? There are plenty of foot marks and plenty of horses' hoof marks here."

"Oh," he said, "it leads to an immense gulley just a short distance ahead, that it is impossible to cross with a wagon. We have to make a regular 'Muleshoe' of miles here to get on the other side of the gulley."

I had visited the day before the spot where a Navajo Indian had asked George A. Smith, Jr., to let him look at his pistol. George A. handed it to him, and the Navajo shot him.

I said, "Lot, is there any danger from Indians here?"  
"None at all."

"I want to be all alone. Go ahead and follow the crowd." I first asked him if I allowed the animal I was riding to walk if I would reach the road on the other side of the gulley before the horsemen and the wagons, and he said "Yes."

As I was riding along to meet them on the other side I seemed to see, and I seemed to hear what to me is one of the most real

The accompanying address was delivered by President Grant at the Sunday evening session of the Centennial Conference in Rochdale Town Hall. With a thousand people jammed inside the hall, hundreds more heard President Grant's words by means of a public address system which carried his speech to the entrance hall and the park in the rear of the building.

President Grant left England's shores last Friday, August 6th, to visit the international Boy Scout Jamboree in Holland and to tour the Netherlands, Danish, Swedish and Norwegian Missions. He will pay another brief visit during the early part of September before sailing for the United States.

things in all my life, I seemed to see a council in heaven. I seemed to hear the words that were spoken. I listened to the discussion with a great deal of interest. The Council of the Twelve Apostles had not been able to agree on two men to fill the vacancies in the Quorum of the Twelve. There had been a vacancy of one for two years, and a vacancy of two for one year, and the Conference had adjourned without the vacancies being filled. In this Council the Saviour was present, my father was there, and the Prophet Joseph Smith was there. They discussed the question that a mistake had been made in not filling those two vacancies and that in all probability it would be another six months before the Quorum would be completed; and they discussed as to whom they wanted to occupy those positions, and decided that the way to remedy the mistake that had been made in not filling these vacancies was to send a revelation. It was given to me that the Prophet Joseph Smith and my father mentioned me and requested that

I be called to that position. I sat there and wept for joy. It was given to me that I had done nothing to entitle me to that exalted position, except that I had lived a clean, sweet life. It was given to me that because of my father having practically sacrificed his life in what was known as the great Reformation, so to speak, of the people in early days, having been practically a martyr, that the Prophet Joseph and my father desired me to have that position, and it was because of their faithful labours that I was called, and not because of anything I had done of myself or any great thing that I had accomplished. It was also given to me that that was all these men, the Prophet and my father, could do for me; from that day it depended upon me and upon me alone as to whether I made a success of my life or a failure.

"There is a law, irrevocably decreed in the heavens before the foundations of the world, upon which all blessings are predicated, and when we receive any blessing from the Lord, it is by obedience to that law upon which the blessing is predicated." It was given to me, as I say, that it now depended upon me.

No man could have been much more unhappy that I was from October, 1882, until February, 1883, but from that day I have never been bothered, night or day, with the idea that I was not worthy to stand as an apostle, and I have not been worried since the last words uttered by Joseph F. Smith to me: "The Lord bless you, my boy, the Lord bless you; you have got a great responsibility. Always remember this is the Lord's work and not man's. The Lord is greater than any man. He knows whom He wants to lead His Church, and never makes any mistake. The Lord bless you." I have been happy during the eighteen years that it has fallen to my lot to stand at the head of this Church. I have felt the inspiration of the Living God directing me in my labours. From the day that I chose a comparative stranger to be one of the apostles, instead of my lifelong and dearest living friend, I have known as I know that I live, that I am entitled to the light and the inspiration and the guidance of God in directing His work here upon this earth; and I know, as I know that I live, that it is God's work, and that Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God, the Redeemer of the world, and that He came to this earth with a divine mission to die upon the cross as the Redeemer of mankind, atoning for the sins of the world. "As in Adam all die, so in Christ shall all be made alive." I have had real, genuine joy; I have had joy in lifting up my voice in England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland, Germany, France, Italy, Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Czechoslovakia, in the Hawaiian islands and far-off Japan, in Canada on the North and Mexico on the South, in nearly every State of the Union, proclaiming my absolute knowledge that God lives, that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Redeemer of the world, and that I know that Joseph Smith was a prophet of the true and the living God, and that the men who have succeeded him in presiding over this Church are the men God desired to stand in that position.

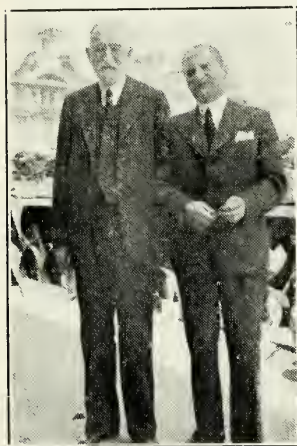
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## PRESIDENT GRANT IN PRAGUE

"**E**IGHTY-YEAR old gentleman hops up and down the steps and marvels," was the heading of an article in the *Ceske Slovo*, daily paper in Prague, Czechoslovakia, which described President Grant's visit to the Masaryk Homes in that city. In company with the Lord Mayor of Prague, Dr. Peter Zenkl, President Grant and his party, including Presidents Richard R. Lyman, Hugh B. Brown, and Wallace F. Toronto, the latter of the Czechoslovakian Mission, Elder Joseph Anderson, his private secretary, and his grandson, Elder Richards G. Smith, visited the Masaryk Homes in Prague, famed as an institution for the unfortunate and suffering. They were shown through the institution by the director, Mrs. Pelantova.



**President Grant and the  
Lord Mayor of Prague**

*He marvelled at the  
President's youth.*

Following are some excerpts from the article, which was translated from Czech by President Toronto:

"Yesterday morning the people living in the Masaryk Homes beheld a wonderful old gentleman. For three hours he walked from home to home, hopped up and down the stairs without difficulty, and in every room left the people in a state of curiosity and wonderment. The Lord Mayor and the director of the Institute could neither show him enough nor explain enough to satisfy his eager mind. This eighty-year old gentleman, with his associates, was the President of the Mormon Church, Mr. Heber J. Grant. The Mormons, instead of long prayers and mass, undertake the solution of social problems—and understand them as no other people on earth. . . . Mayor Zenkl, who entertained the guests, had also something at which to wonder. He observed this eighty-year-old president of the Mormons and marvelled at his youthful appearance and how spryly he walked. He expressed this wonder to the president, but Mr. Grant only smiled and quoted him a verse from an old Mormon proverb: 'Who gladly works, unceasing, has happiness and life increasing,' and then continued, 'You will also live a long time, Mr. Mayor—that is certain.'

"When after three hours the Mormon president left the Masaryk Homes he summarized his impressions in these words, 'I have travelled the world over . . . but such an undertaking as yours I behold for the first time, for in the whole world it is unique.' And Americans do not like to praise anything which is not their own. Could this be only politeness on their part? No. From politeness no one walks three hours in such heat as we had yesterday, and especially not, if one is eighty years of age—pardon me, eighty-one years of age."

## BAPTISM--RECONCILIATION WITH GOD

By Elder Lester M. Nordberg

**T**HE late Jane Addams, of Hull House fame, was guilty one day, as a little girl, of telling an untruth to her father. That night she lay awake in bed, her guilty conscience driving all sleep from her eyes. As the wee hours of morning approached her distress became unbearable, so crawling from her bed she made her way to her father's room. Standing beside

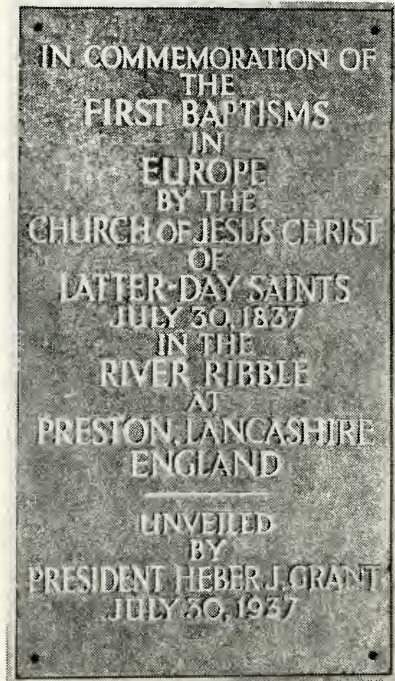
his bed she awoke him to tell of her wrong-doing. The little girl and her father became far more closely bound together because the daughter showed her sorrow for her sin.

There is something in each human heart that makes it needful that the sorrow for sin be expressed in some way. When we have injured someone we love and afterward regret it there is a very strong urge within us to express our sorrow in some act. Perhaps it is with a word, a hand-shake or a kiss. Sometimes it is with a present.

If we do not show our sorrow in some way how can the one we have injured know of our repentance? We may desire forgiveness with all our heart, but if the one against whom we have sinned doesn't know how we feel he can't forgive us. It is equally true that no matter how strongly the injured may desire to forgive, the sinner will not be aware of it if it isn't expressed in some act.

Two boys quarrelled while they were fishing. For weeks they did not speak, each going his separate way miserable, unhappy. One night after a Boy Scout meeting one lad came up to his friend, held out his hand, saying: "Ray, I'm very sorry; can't we be friends again?" For fifty years since that day these two have been bound together as with iron bands.

What was true with these two boys is true of God and each of His children. Sin separates them as it did these two chums. Only when each child of God humbly comes to the Father and expresses by some sign his sorrow is that barrier which holds him away from God removed.



River Ribble Plaque  
Unveiled by President Grant,  
July 30th, 1937.



In the world there are recognized ways of expressing thoughts and feelings. We stand when the National Anthem is sung to show our respect for our nation. We salute the flag or stand bareheaded as it passes. A man lifts his hat to show his respect for a lady. He shakes hands to show friendship. He shouts a glad "Good Morning" to let all know of his good will. He kisses to show his love. He places a ring on his wife's finger to symbolize that they are now bound together.

Each of these ways of expressing feelings has been accepted because each so well expresses that feeling. The hand clasp or the kiss is the best way of expressing love and affection. As there is a conventional way of showing love so there is a set way, a given form in which we show God that we have repented of the many times we have broken His commandments. That way is baptism by water.

It is a very fitting way of showing how we feel and how God feels. First, it shows that we have humbled ourselves, that we are truly sorry and desire forgiveness. The proud, like Naaman, the Syrian, do not like to submit to such a simple, and sometimes inconvenient, thing as being immersed.

Then again, baptism when performed as Jesus commanded, is a form of burial. The repentant sinner in asking forgiveness of God promises to leave behind all his past weaknesses and sins. So in baptism he symbolizes the burial of that part of him which is bad, coming out of the water as a new being, like a seed that sends from the ground the new plant.

The use of water in baptism very well represents the cleansing from sins, the washing away of that which is filthy and unclean. It shows that God has promised that the sins of the repentant one will be forgotten, never to be recalled.

None should be so simple as to think that it is the water which washes away the sins, any more than the kiss alone makes love. Judas used the kiss to betray his Master. It is the feeling back of the kiss which gives it value. So it is with baptism; the most important part of it is the repentant, humble spirit which prompts it. And the forgiveness from God comes not through the water, but from obedience to the Father's commandment. But it should be remembered that the only baptism which represents the burial of sin is that in which the body is completely covered. It is called baptism by immersion.

In baptism God is a party to the act. It is He who is to pardon or forgive the sinner. Inasmuch as He cannot be present Himself at each baptism He has found it necessary to appoint others to act for him. Each of those appointed receives his power from God. It is given by God to man and from one man to another by placing the hands upon the head and in prayer conferring the power. This is the pattern the Father in Heaven has used since man was placed upon the earth. In want of a better name this power to act for God is called the Priesthood. Without it no man has the right to baptize.

If God permitted everyone to act for him without considering their qualifications they would do many things in His name of which He did not approve. How foolish it would be of a

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## THE LATTER-DAY SAINTS' MILLENNIAL STAR

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 1937

### EDITORIAL

#### PRESIDENT HUGH B. BROWN.

The *Star* and its readers and the members of the Church and the friends of the Church in the British Mission unite in extending a hearty welcome to the new President of the British Mission, Elder Hugh B. Brown.

From his childhood this good man has been a devoted Church member and Church worker. When he was 15 years old he went with his parents from the United States to Canada, where he later became a citizen of that great country. It was from Canada that he came to Britain as a missionary in 1904.

In the mission field his public speaking talent was soon apparent. He developed quickly into a clear-cut, eloquent defender and expounder of the Gospel. His ringing voice and stirring testimony have thrilled many hearts.

So rapidly did he develop in the days of his young manhood, as a missionary, that upon returning home to Canada he was soon made bishop of his ward. At an early age he was promoted into the High Council of the stake and in this calling he exhibited such outstanding qualities of leadership that while yet a young man he was made the president of his stake.

President Brown gave to his country the same vigorous and earnest service that he gave to his Church. A good Church member is always a good citizen. His devotion to his beloved Canada was such that when the World War began and Great Britain called upon her citizens for aid the loyal people in her numerous colonies and provinces came quickly to her defence.

The whole world knows that the support given Great Britain by her colonies came from the deep seated affection the citizens of this broad and mighty Empire have for their country. Among those loyal Canadians who came willingly and plunged into the contest with valour was this enthusiastic former British missionary, Hugh B. Brown. Like other patriots he stepped boldly forth and placed his all upon his country's altar. He stood ready to give his life, if needs be, in her defence.

It seems eminently fitting that this soldier, officer and patriot should, at the call of his Church, come now into this country to preside over the British Mission.

Surely the citizens of Great Britain will find in their hearts not only admiration for their new leader but real affection. Surely the people for whom his arm was raised in their defence will be willing to listen to the words of wisdom and inspiration which will fall from his lips.

A number of people from London recently visited Flanders Field. As they stood upon the sacred soil of Belgium and looked at the mighty monuments erected as memorials to the beloved dead of Canada, those present who are acquainted with President Brown very naturally thought of him. He belonged to that group of Canadians mighty and brave who faced terrific fire.

When the World War was over President Brown took up the study and practice of law in Canada. Later this active Church leader, with his family, moved to Salt Lake City. His native ability and unusual talents, now highly developed by practice and experience, soon secured for him a place of such prominence that he was chosen and sustained as the president of one of the Church's largest and most important stakes, the stake into which, with his family, he had recently moved.

Mr. C. K. Jamieson, not a member of the Church, but a Canadian and a warm and admiring friend of President Brown, published an article recently, part of which reads:

**Tribute From An Outsider** "In my opinion Mr. Brown has all the qualifications necessary to represent any organization in any company and under any circumstances. Of good appearance, careful speech, dignified and thoughtful manner, and moderate and tolerant views towards others, he will soon dispel by his demeanour and manner of living any doubts which strangers might entertain toward the faith which he has always followed. He is a studious man, a sincere and a loyal man, and an eloquent man."

The readers of the *Star* will be happy to know that Sister Brown is a granddaughter of President Brigham Young. She, too, is a devoted and efficient worker in the Church.

To President Brown and to his good wife and to the members of his family we extend again a hearty welcome. We shall all do our best to make them feel at home. We of the British Mission will unitedly give them our faith, our prayers and our support with hearts determined to help as best we can to make the administration of President Brown an outstanding success.

RICHARD R. LYMAN

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### NEXT WEEK'S STAR.

To preserve the memory of the great Centennial Conference in Preston and Rochdale, next week's issue of the *Star* will be dedicated entirely to chronicling in picture and prose the important and memorable events of the occasion.

Profusely illustrated, and containing a full account of the celebration, it will be treasured as a souvenir in years to come. Watch for it next week!



## CANST THOU FIND OUT GOD ?

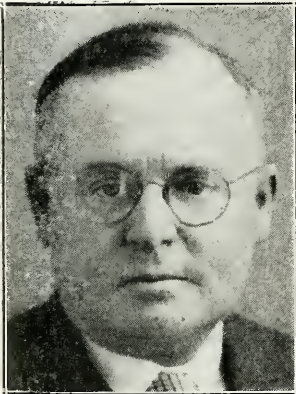
*By Dr. Thomas L. Martin*

**O**UR Father in Heaven reveals Himself to man in various ways. He constantly manifests Himself in nature. Job showed that he had found Him when he answered Zophar's question in Job 11: 7, "Canst thou by searching find out God?" He says (Job 12: 7, 8, 9).

But ask now the beast of the field and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of the air, and they shall tell thee; or speak to the earth, and it shall teach thee; and the fishes of the sea shall declare unto thee. Who knoweth not in all these that the hand of the Lord hath wrought this?

In other words, he suggests that if one will examine the workings of nature, one will find evidences of the manifestations of the power and goodness of God.

There is another way in which one may find God. He can be found through the revelations He gives to men. God reveals Himself at intervals to men through men: Men catch a vision of the needs of the world. God speaks to such men and tells them what He would have men do. Such become instruments in God's hands through which He may reveal Himself to mankind.



Dr. Thomas L. Martin

It is claimed by many that such men as Sir Isaac Newton, Galileo, George Washington, John Wycliffe, John Calvin, and others were human instruments through which God revealed Himself in the works they did. They made the world better for their having lived in it. We have a better world in which to live because of their great contributions. A study of their lives makes one develop a greater faith in humanity. One does indeed learn how God would have us live, because of what the Lord did through them.

We are indeed fortunate, however, to live in this day when one may study God through the revelations God has made through Joseph Smith, the prophet of modern times. One hundred and seven years ago He declared that He would do a marvellous work and a wonder. He declared that the Gospel plan of salvation should again be placed upon the earth and that this Gospel plan should be the means by which one could reach nearer and nearer to the state of perfection.

Thousands of people were waiting for that message. They were glad to learn that a man could not be saved in ignorance; that all men would not be forever damned; that man was a God in embryo, and that it was possible for man to become as God is; that infants need not be baptized; that a good body was necessary for the development of the God within; that

Elijah had come in this day and age to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children; that a man could not officiate for God unless he were called of God; that God would do now a mighty work and a wonder in a needy world.

Men were thrilled at the message and they seemed to see in that message an answer to a fervent prayer. "I have found a way to live right."

The authorities of the Church, in those early days, were sure that men who would hear the Master's voice were in the British Isles, too. The first missionaries landed on the shores of Britain one hundred years ago and delivered that message revealed by God to Joseph Smith. Many were the people who listened to their teachings and many were they who emigrated and helped to build Zion in these latter days.

Charles W. Penrose, Charles W. Nibley, James E. Talmage, B. H. Roberts, John Taylor, George Q. Cannon, and others are representative of the great religious stock so common to the British Isles. It is well that in this Centennial year we give thanks to our God for the privilege of living in this day and age when man may meet God's servants as literally as men met Jesus and the early apostles in former days.

My testimony to the people of the British Isles at this Centennial period is that God has spoken in this day. He has delivered His message from the heavens. Joseph Smith received that message. A study of his life and message exposes one to God's great revelation. His successors down to our present President Heber J. Grant have carried on and are carrying on that revelation which teaches men how to live and approach the standard of perfection to which all men strive.

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## BAPTISM—RECONCILIATION WITH GOD

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great ruler to give to all his subjects the powers to perform the official acts of government for him. This power is given to but few and their authority is shown by some act which is recognized as official by all.

Baptism has been in the world since the days of Adam. The first man which God placed upon the earth was baptized by burial in water. Since that day to this it has been the way in which God and the sinner come to know each other's repentance and love.

Enoch, the seventh from Adam, preached and practised it before the day of the flood. The Nephites had it in America before the birth of Jesus Christ. John the son of Zacharias baptized in Jordan and Jesus and His disciples baptized all who wished to join the Church of God.

If age gives proof of the truthfulness of a belief, surely then baptism must be true.

But there are those who would reject it because it is ancient—, thinking it a sign of great learning to reject all that is old. Just as sensibly could such a man refuse to shake hands with his friends because it was old fashioned, or to kiss his sweetheart because that was being done three thousand years ago.

## A BOOK FOR THINKERS

*By Elder A. Z. Richards, Jr.*

**O**PENING his family Bible, a farmer found a £25 bank note seventy-five years old and still worth its face value. The editor of the paper in which this was announced comments as follows: "Thus encouraged I imagine a lot of people will open their Bibles once at least every seventy-five years." Not all Bibles contain bank notes, but they contain other treasures. The things in this book never get old or cheap or worthless—they do not depreciate with time.

The Bible is a book for thinkers. Since the dawn of the Reformation it has been the companion and inspiration of the leaders of mankind, the source and depository of the deepest and truest philosophy of life. Those who read it thoughtfully and frequently give proof of a taste for the best there is in literature and show an appreciation of the best there is in character building. It would be impossible to measure its influence upon the world.

To the thoughtful, the most precious possession the world has is the message of the Master as contained in the four Gospels. There is nothing in the lives of men, or the mountainous heap of books, comparable to it in its influence upon the thoughts and conduct of mankind.

A story is told of a white man who was travelling through a country where the natives had some years before been cannibals. He found one of them reading the Bible. The traveller, himself an unbeliever, sneered at the occupation. "That will do you no good," he said. "It never did us white people any; we are giving it up." The islander stared at him in surprise. "If it does you no good in your own land," he began, "it certainly is of value to you here in the south seas. If it had not been for this book you would have been cooked and eaten long before now."

Those who scoff at the truths contained in the Bible to-day forget that their personal safety, their liberty and freedom of speech are really gifts of Christianity. The brilliant historian and philosopher, John Fiske, who always equated historical values with scientific accuracy, is strong in his estimate of the profound influence the Bible had upon the development of the democratic idea of government in Europe and America, and is equally strong in his praise of its literary value.

The Latter-day Saints believe the Bible to be the word of God as far as it is translated correctly. They believe that the first fundamental of a happy and successful life is a settled faith in God, a sound philosophy of life. There is probably no other knowledge that will contribute more to this end, no other training that will mean so much in this direction as the training which comes from a careful study of the Bible.

Read the Bible because it is a revelation of man's place in the great scheme of things and of the Almighty's plan to save and bless the world!



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to magnify myself—I love the Gospel of Jesus Christ as I love nothing else in this world. I am here to-day for the reason that I desire to leave here my testimony as an old man—because a man who is in his 81st year is an old man.

John Taylor came to the presidency of this Church, succeeding Brigham Young, when he was 72 years of age. Wilford Woodruff came to the presidency of this Church after he was eighty-odd years of age, and he lived to be more than ninety. Lorenzo Snow came to the presidency of this Church when he was 85 years of age, and served it in a most miraculous and wonderful way for three years. Joseph F. Smith came to the presidency of this Church when he was two years beyond the time of retirement, namely, 62 years of age, and he served for exactly eighteen years, and I have served for eighteen years. But for a very serious disease that he had, he was in the finest of health. It is only fair to you to say that I never for one minute believed that he was going to die, until the night he passed away and when he took hold of my hand and told me what I have quoted to you. I felt in my heart, and I had prayed for it, I had fasted for it, I had asked for it, that he should live to celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of this Church, seeing that his beloved father, the Patriarch, Hyrum Smith, had been murdered for the cause; and I believed that he would so live, until I received that message, which was the last words that he spoke to anybody.

May God bless me and you and every soul that has a knowledge of the divinity of this work, to so live it that our lives will proclaim it to all those with whom we come in contact, is my humble prayer, and I ask it in all humility in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, our Redeemer and Saviour. Amen.



The banquet given by President and Sister Lyman on Pioneer Day, July 24th, at the Royal Automobile Club in London, in honour of President Grant and the other visiting Church officials.

## NEWS OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

**APPOINTMENT** of Elder John A. Widtsoe, of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, as a member of the first permanent Board of Directors for the National Farm Chemurgic Council, Inc., was announced recently. Elder Widtsoe, long known as an authority on irrigation and western agriculture is one of seven on a board



**Elder Widtsoe** representing agriculture. The society is composed of national leaders in the fields of agriculture, science and industry. It is seeking to find uses for farm products for industrial purposes.

**INTERNATIONALLY** renowned authority in the field of Acoustics, Dr. Harvey Fletcher, Physical Research Director for the Bell Telephone Laboratories in New York City, was a recent visitor to Britain. Dr. Fletcher, who is also president of New York Stake, came from Paris, where he was American delegate to the International Congress on Acoustics, held June 30th-July 3rd. He was elected chairman of the Congress. On July 27th, Elder Fletcher presented a paper at the International Congress of Psychologists, meeting at the University of France in Sorbon. He will return to England in September to attend sessions of the British Association for Advancement of Science at Nottingham, September 1st-8th. At these meetings, Dr. Fletcher is the delegate of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

**TWO MISSIONS** of the Church were commended by Elders Melvin J. Ballard and Joseph F. Merrill, of the Council of the Twelve Apostles, who recently returned from touring the North Central States Mission and the Canadian Mission, respectively. Elder Ballard installed President D. A. Broadbent as presi-

dent of the North Central States Mission, succeeding Wilford W. Richards. He commented on the unusual growth of the mission and was particularly impressed by the number of Mormon men and boys in positions of leadership at the National Scout Jamboree in Washington, D.C. While in Canada Elder Merrill spoke on three radio programmes and reports missionary work very progressive.

**THE FIRST** six months of 1937 saw the greatest tourist travel in the history of the Bureau of Information on Temple Square, generally conceded to be the biggest drawing card for tourists in the state of Utah. Approximately 100,000 visitors from every state in America and many other countries stopped at the Tabernacle grounds to be guided through the buildings and listen to the Tabernacle organ and choir broadcasts, as compared to 56,532 for the first six months of last year. June and July tourists to Zion National Park in Southern Utah showed an increase of approximately 20 per cent over the same period last year with a total of 64,009.

**TEN PAGES** of the original manuscript of the Book of Abraham from the Pearl of Great Price, and other important manuscripts, part of which is in the handwriting of the Prophet Joseph Smith, were recently secured by Elder Wilford Wood, Salt Lake business man and historian. They have been turned over to the Church Historian's Office for preservation. Elder Wood obtained the interesting old documents on a trip to points of historic interest which carried him over the Mormon trail from Kirtland, Ohio, to Independence, Missouri. Included with the manuscripts is a writ of habeas corpus, prepared by the Prophet while he was incarcerated in Liberty Jail. President David O. McKay and Elder Joseph Fielding Smith, Church Historian, examining the material, pronounced it authentic.

## OF CURRENT INTEREST

**A MEMORIAL** symbolizing the friendship between Canada and the United States was recently unveiled 50 yards north of the international boundary by Kiwanians of both countries. The New Jersey district in the United States and the Quebec, Ontario, and Maritimes Kiwanis Clubs collaborated in erecting the stone. The monument is one of several erected by the organization along the border.

**A MACHINE** which automatically corrects examination papers of students has been invented by Dr. Sidney L. Pressey, visiting professor of educational psychology at the University of Hawaii. Eliminating the drudgery and wasted time, the machine will grade the paper and permit the student to know immediately what his errors are before they are too firmly fixed in his thoughts. To use one of these machines students punch holes in their test papers under "yes" or "no" or under their choice of multiple answers. When all answers are punched the paper is taken to the professor's desk, run through a machine which swiftly marks each answer right or wrong, totals the score, and tabulates for the teacher's benefit the number of errors made by the class on each question. Another of Dr. Pressey's inventions is a machine operated by a keyboard, which releases a sweet to the pupil when he scores all the answers correct.

**BRITISH** non-smokers protested against the practice of smoking being allowed in cinemas, theatres, and concert halls at a meeting recently held in London. The meeting was organized by the National Society of Non-Smokers, and received letters of agreement from the Bishop of London, Miss Lena Ashwell, actress, Lord Sempill, civil aviation expert, and Prof. Gilbert Murray, chairman of the League of Nations Union. Recognizing that there are some such places where smoking is prohibited, a resolution

was passed that managers of theatres, cinemas, and concert halls should be approached either to prohibit smoking or, at least, to reserve blocks of seats for non-smokers.

**ST. PAUL'S** speech to the Athenians will be recorded on a marble plaque and enshrined in the rock of Mars Hill, if a plan now being urged upon the Municipality of Athens is successful. The plan, which has been taken up by the press and a number of eminent persons, was first proposed by Mrs. Josephine Demas, daughter of the famous Athenian architect, Mr. H. Ziller.

**SOVIET AIRMEN** were guided in their epochal jaunts across the North Pole by an intricate radio network spread secretly in advance across two continents. Details have been revealed, disclosing the care the Soviet Government took to prepare for the history-making flights. Three weeks before the first venture radio guideposts were arranged under a veil of secrecy at Point Barrow, Nome, Fairbanks, Anchorage, Juneau, Ketchikan and Seattle. These were formed into a network which contained the Royal Canadian Signal station at Fort Norman and Russian stations at Anadyr and Khabarovsk. So efficiently did the system function that only once were the planes out of touch with guiding stations for a long period. That was for five hours after the fliers crossed the Pole.

**CROSSING CANADA** within a single day is the air service envisioned by Canadian Transport Minister C. D. Howe. Daily 16-hour passenger and mail flights between Montreal and Vancouver will be established by late summer, with complete, modern airline service linking all principal Canadian cities within two hours. Within a few weeks the minister will make a test flight across the country.



## FROM THE MISSION FIELD

### Arrivals and Assignments—

Two lady missionaries and nine travelling elders arrived on the s.s. *Manhattan*, on July 21st, and were assigned to their labours in the British Mission as follows:

Sister Doris Pratt (Ogden, Utah), Elders Howard D. Anderson (Logan, Utah), Rodney W. Tew (Shelley, Idaho), Burton S. Miller (Salt Lake City), and D. Maxwell Butler (Snowflake, Arizona), Birmingham District; Elder Louis C. Larsen (Salt Lake City), Bristol District; Elder Norman J. Welker (Safford, Arizona), Leeds District; Elder Mark P. Lyman (Blanding, Utah), Liverpool District; Sister Dorothy Herron (Salt Lake City) and Elder Clifford W. Bagley (Oakland, California), Nottingham District; and Elder William Wallace Winder (Vernal, Utah), Scottish District.

### Transfers—

The following missionaries were transferred on August 3rd: Elders LeRoy A. Kettle and Seth H. Young from Norwich District to Birmingham and Hull Districts, respectively; Elder Roscoe G. Booth from the British Mission Office to Birmingham District; Sister Harriet Chamberlain and Elder Norman A. Jensen from Nottingham District to Birmingham and London Districts respectively; Elder King E. Beagley from Liverpool District to London District; Elders Julius A. Leetham and Lee S. Manwill from Sheffield and Hull Districts, respectively, to Norwich District; Elders Leonard L. Moffett and Victor Blaine Hart from Birmingham District to Hull and Newcastle Districts, respectively; Elders Russell B. Beard and Lewis W. Jones from the Centennial Committee to Sheffield and Welsh Districts, respectively; Elder A. Leslie Derbyshire from Newcastle District to the British Mission Office; Elders Rodney J. Shirley and Peter Martin Anderson Moyes from Welsh District and the Millennial Chorus, respectively, to Scottish District.

### Appointments—

Elder O. Clifford Merrill was named president and Elder A. Burt Keddington conductor of the Millennial Chorus on August 3rd. On the same day the following were appointed supervising elders of their various districts: Elders Carl B. Bradshaw (Bristol), Leonard L. Moffett (Hull), Eldon T. Lindsay (Irish), J. Glen Burdett (Liverpool), King E. Beagley (London), Julius A. Leetham (Norwich), and Bishop Henry M. Taggart (Leeds).

### Releases—

Elder Joseph W. Darling was honourably released on July 24th, to return to his home in Belfast, Ireland. He has been labouring in the Irish District, being supervising elder the latter part of his mission.

Elder Alma J. Larkin was honourably released on August 3rd to return to his home in Salt Lake City. He laboured in the London District as supervising elder.

### Doings in the Districts—

**WELSH**—At baptismal services recently held in Merthyr Tydfil. Stanley Palmer was baptized and confirmed by President Joseph J. Cannon.

**SHEFFIELD** — Barnsley Branch sponsored an outing to beautiful Woolley Dam pleasure ground on July 17th. Swimming, boating, and ball games were enjoyed by the many members and friends present.

**NORWICH**—Over ninety were in attendance at the summer treat of the Lowestoft Branch Sunday School recently held at Kirkley Fen boating lake. Arrangements were under the direction of Superintendent William H. Daniels and his counsellors, Sisters May Coleby and Florence Gowing. Under the direction of the M.I.A. officers, a farewell social was held on Wednesday, July 7th, honouring Elder Arthur C. Porter, who has been transferred from the district.

## LATTER-DAY SAINT MEETING PLACES IN BRITAIN

- Aberdeen:**  
Corn Exchange,  
Hadden Street,  
Off Market Street.
- Accrington:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
Over 9, Church St.
- Airdrie:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
40, Hallcraig Street.
- Barnsley:**  
Arcade Buildings.
- Batley:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
13, Wellington Street.
- Belfast:**  
Arcade Buildings,  
122, Upper North St.
- Birmingham:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
23, Booth Street.  
Handsworth.  
Council Schools,  
Stratford Road,  
Sparkbrook.
- Blackburn:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
St. Peter's Street.
- Bolton:**  
Corporation  
Chambers,
- Bradford:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
Woodlands Street,  
Off City Road.
- Brighton:**  
105, Queen's Road.
- Bristol:**  
Hannah More Hall,  
45, Park St., Clifton.
- Burnley:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
1, Liverpool Road,  
Rosegrove.
- Cardiff:**  
Enquire:  
98, Albany Road.
- Clayton:**  
Central Hall.
- Derby:**  
Unity Hall.
- Doncaster:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
Trafford Street.
- Dublin:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
8, Merrion Row.
- Eastwood:**  
Library, Church St.
- Edinburgh:**  
Ruskin House,  
15, Windsor Place.
- Gainsborough:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
Curtis Yard.
- Gateshead:**  
Westfield Hall,  
Westfield Terrace.
- Glasgow:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
4, Nelson Street,
- Great Yarmouth:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
66a, South Quay.
- Grimsby:**  
Thrift Hall,  
Pasture Street.
- Halifax:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
35, Brinton Terrace,  
Off Hansen Lane.
- Hexham:**  
Deseret,  
Alexandra Terrace.
- Hucknall:**  
Byron Buildings.
- Hull:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
Wellington Lane, and  
Berkeley Street.
- Hyde:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
Reynold Street.
- Kidderminster:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
Park Street.
- Leeds:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
5, Westfield Road.
- Leicester:**  
All Saints' Open,  
Great Central Street.
- Letchworth:**  
Vasanta Hall,  
Gernon Walk.
- Liverpool:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
301, Edge Lane.
- London:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
59, Clissold Rd., N.16.
- Loughborough:**  
Adult School.
- Lowestoft:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
20, Clapham Road.
- Luton:**  
Dallow Road Hall,  
Corner of Dallow and  
Naseby Roads.
- Mansfield:**  
39a, Albert Street.
- Manchester:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
88, Clarendon Road.
- Merthyr Tydfil:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
Penyard Road.
- Middlesbrough:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
188, Linthorpe Road.
- Nelson:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
10, Hibson Road.
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89, St. Michael's Str.
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L. D. S. Hall,  
8, Southwell Road.
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L. D. S. Chapel,  
60, Park Lane.
- Nuneaton:**  
Masonic Hall.
- Oldham:**  
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Neville Street,
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34, Park Street,  
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81, Brynteg Street.
- Portsmouth:**  
Pimco Hall,  
Heidelberg Road,  
Southsea.
- Preston, Lancs:**  
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96, Friargate.
- Raumarsh:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
Main Street.
- Rochdale:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
Lower Sheriff St.
- Sheffield:**  
L. D. S. Chapel,  
Corner of Ellesmere  
and Lyons Roads.
- Shildon:**  
L. D. S. Hall,  
100, Main Street.
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Scott Rooms,  
Boosebeck Road,  
Skelton Green.
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